COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
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SUBJECT: Training Course - Historical Architectural Review Boards: Practices and Potential

TO: Historical Architectural Review Board Chairmen
Local Elected Officials
Municipal Secretaries, Managers and City Clerks
Community Planners
And Other Individuals Interested in Historic Preservation

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The Department of Community Affairs' Bureau of Local Government Services' Municipal Training Division is continuing its historic preservation training series by scheduling a program on "Municipal Historical Architectural Review Boards in Pennsylvania: Practices and Potential". This program will discuss various aspects of the operation of historical architectural review boards at the local level.

Historical architectural review boards play a critical part in preserving community historical and architectural resources, and can positively influence community revitalization. The course is designed to familiarize the appointed members of historical architectural review boards and other affected local officials with the duties and responsibilities of the review board, utilizing state enabling legislation as the basis.

More importantly, the course will deal with the practical problems encountered by review board members and others as the local historic district ordinance is implemented. This includes district delineation aspects, basic administrative and procedural problems, design issues and working with the applicants and the public.

PROGRAM CONTENT:

- Review of Historic District Enabling Legislation
- District Delineation Techniques and the Identification of Historic and Architectural Resources Within Those Districts
- Public Acceptance: Working With the Public and Private Sector
- Practical Problems: Ordinance Administration and Coordination
- Practical Problems: Design Review
- Preservation Incentives